



# The UFO Enigma

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## Annual Christmas Party

The next meeting of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis will be on Sunday, December 13 at 2:00 p.m. at the Farm and Home Savings and Loan community room, 110 West Lockwood (Lockwood and Gore), Webster Groves, MO. This will be our annual Christmas Party. Everyone is welcome. Members have been asked to bring various food and assorted goodies as cover dishes. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a small gift of approximately \$1.00 to \$3.00 in value, wrapped and labeled either as for a man, woman, male child or female child.

This event is always a lot of fun as well as a good way to learn a lot about UFOs through our informal discussions. Hope to see you there!

## INTRUDERS: ARE YOUR CHILDREN REALLY YOUR OWN?

Over 40 members of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis heard John Schroeder review Intruders: The Incredible Visitations at Copley Woods by Budd Hopkins, Random House, NY, NY 1987. According to John Schroeder, "Many will find the events described at Copley Woods, a suburb of Indianapolis, Indiana, unbelievable. Budd Hopkins, equally skeptical, cites Judge Felix Frankfurter's reaction in 1943 to news that Hitler's regime had destroyed millions of Jews, "Unbelievable -- because the facts were so overwhelming they were beyond comprehension." In fact, Budd Hopkins compares his initial confident responses to Copley Woods data to remarks made by a radio talk show host, "I'm skeptical of this whole UFO business. Travel from one solar system to another is simply not possible. You can't get here from there, wherever there is; and even if there are Extra-Terrestrials flying around, they'd never do what these UFO occupants are supposed to be doing."

Budd Hopkins response expresses both his skepticism and belief, "I'm so skeptical that I find it beyond me to deny the possibility of anything."

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In this very well investigated, researched and documented book which involved psychologists, radiologists, chemists, hypnotists and medical practitioners, we are asked to believe the unthinkable ... that genetic interbreeding with humans is high on the priorities of some UFOnuts.

Author Hopkins, known best for his nonfiction best seller, Missing Time, finds a pattern in the many abduction cases detailed in that book for events in the life of Kathie Davis, her two sons, her parents, friends and neighbors. 1) Enforced Amnesia apparently from post-hypnotic suggestion which actually threatened human life. 2) Missing Time after percipient sighted a UFO or the occupant of one. 3) Subjects of Experiments including flesh samples scooped out, electronic tagging with a metal ball inserted into sinus bones, laparoscopy examinations of



uterus and ovaries, sexual removal of ova for extra uterine fertilization, male sperm removal and rape, artificial insemination of women and removal of fetus (not full term) for raising in an artificial womb in space, and studies of human mothers' reaction to seeing their kidnapped half-alien offspring so aliens could learn the value of loving nurturing.

Data is amassed which indicates that Kathie Davis and many other women who passed psychological screening tests, under hypnosis, recalled being artificially impregnated by aliens on several occasions, having the fetus removed each time to be raised by the alien Father and tiny humanoid nurses.

The aliens, who did not carry on scientific observations in a detached and harmless way despite Stephen Spielberg's ET movie concepts, were small, lacking human muscle development, light grey in color with hairless and leathery skin. Their foreheads seemed high, their noses virtual slits, their mouths tiny and lipless, and their eyes slanting, huge, black and liquid with no apparent pupils.

The half human - half alien offspring were slightly larger than the aliens. Their skin ranged from a dull pink to a scaly grey: their facial features from baby doll cute to "so ugly I had to keep staring against my will." Infant half-bred girls had some musculature over more pronounced bone structure and sparse but long, straight hair. Mature half-bred women had breasts but no pubic hair and sparse cranial hair. Mature male half-breeds were shorter than human men, much thinner and had downy short hair. The only male child was described as fine skinned, with a head as large as an apple and a face as soft as a marshmallow.

The two and a half years of research was worth it. The book is beautifully and clearly written and the narrative unfolds like a mystery novel. John Schroeder recommends purchase or borrowing INTRUDERS: The Incredible Visitation At Copley Woods for its comprehensive view of data supporting the "good guys and bad guys theory of outer space visitation" even if you do not agree with Budd Hopkins' four conclusions:

1. Hybridization is a high priority for alien cultures. (Pg 193-194)
2. The purpose of insertion of foreign objects in the bodies of human abductees is unknown. (Pg 201-202)

3. Emotionless aliens have allowed hybrid infants to die for lack of maternal care and affection. (Pg 187)
4. Abductions seem to start early, be serial in nature, and even familial in selection of alien abductees. (Pg 198)

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## PARAPSYCHOLOGY COMMITTEE CONSIDERS CRIME

Seven members attended the Parapsychology Subcommittee Meeting at the Schroeder home, November 11. Marjorie Sherrill shared a psychic experience in which a table, touched by an observer, moved out of a room, across a patio, down a small flight of stairs and tapped out a short message against the trunk of a tree.

John Schroeder reported on psychic dreams which accurately depicted the activities of a lesbian copycat murderer in the "Boston Strangler Case", the revelation of a conspiracy which apparently led to the assassination of President Kennedy, and recalled details of a case in which psychic members of the UFO Study Group predicted a "Quick food shop" murder with such accuracy that police sketches led to apprehension of the criminals.

The next meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 2 at the Schroeder home, 4991 Miami St., off Oleatha, west of Kingshighway. Hopefully a member of the St. Louis Psychical Society will speak.

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## UFOS AND PARAPSYCHOLOGY

By Marjorie Sherrill

Many years ago, Dr. Peter Phillips, who headed the McDonnell Psychical Lab at Washington University, said that to understand the UFO phenomena, we would have to understand parapsychology. Tom Richards spoke to us on the results of the SORRAT experiments. He showed films of movements in sealed, tamper proof isolation boxes. Objects moved, leather rings linked, and a member of the audience passed a picture showing a pen suspended in the air.

People put questions and self addressed stamped envelopes in an isolation box or



room located in Tom Richards' basement. The envelopes come in the regular mail, usually with someone else's question. This mixing up of questions enabled people to connect and learn other aspects of the ongoing activity.

In the preface of SORRAT: A History Of The Neihardt Psychokinesis Experiments, 1961-1981, Dr. Richards states that the late Dr. John G. Neihardt formed the Society for Research on Rapport and Telekinesis (SORRAT) in 1961. Meetings were usually held at his home, Skyrim Farm, near Columbia, Missouri. Members of the SORRAT groups met at Skyrim on October 31.

After dark, people began to gather at Skyrim; some had not seen each other for ten years. The session began in the study with the lights out. A TV tray sat towards the west end of the ring of people. Those closest to the tray were invited to place their hands on top of the tray. After awhile, people switched places so that Alice Thompson, Neihardt's daughter, was in a position to place her hands on the table. I heard taps like rhythms, a single tap for yes, a double for no and sequences which were counted to indicate letters of the alphabet.

When counting, the taps spelled "box". The lights went on, the sealed box containing ground coffee, three cubes of different sizes and materials was checked. At least two cubes were in different positions and there was an "D" was etched in the coffee in the middle of the box. This box sat on the top of a glassed front shelving unit in the living room, adjacent to the study.

The group reconvened in the study. The noises moved across the study and out into the living room. It was easier to see the TV tray with Alice Thompson's hands on the top, moving around and going out the door onto the porch. In the moonlight, Thompson's movements with the TV tray were visible. The table came down the steps by rotating a leg or set of legs to the next steps, kind of scooting the legs to reach the edge. Some of the movements from step to step was rapid, while other at other times, the movement would be slower.

When the TV tray tapped out T-R-E-E, P-O-W-E-R, E-A-R-T, someone said "earth" and a single tap against the tree trunk indicating "yes" ended the activity. Members of the group called for Tom Richards to place his hands on the TV

tray. Movement took the group up the steps, onto the porch and into the living room with Thompson being the one who continuously kept her hands on the top of the TV tray.

I asked Tom Richards how to ask a question and whether we could try to get images off the television onto Berthold Schwartz' video camera. No single tap was heard, but the TV tray stayed in the vicinity of the TV. We turned it to channel 3 and Dr. Schwartz sat in the chair in front of the TV. The TV tray tilted toward the TV, jostling it from all sides. The fuzz faded and conversation faded in and out. Dr. Schwartz' camera stopped working.

When the lights were on, a plant on a table next to the front door vibrated. While observing this, members of the group reported vibrations in the floor. I perceived this vibration to be similar to the vibrations I felt as we sat earlier in the darkened study. Later, I noticed the same type of movement in a plant when I stood to move one knee and when Tom Richards walked across the living room in front of the table.

Tom Richards asked if I had any ideas for some experiments. Since I am an investigator and report observations and experiences, I would like to invite some researcher to design and execute such an experiment.

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## HOW MUCH TO YOU KNOW ABOUT UFOs?

Joe Gurney sent this in last June. Because we do not publish The Enigma during the summer, I put this in a safe place so we would have it for the September issue. It was so safe, that I did not find it until November. There are 50 questions about the UFO phenomena in all, this is just the first part of this quiz. I considered putting the answers in the next issue of The Enigma, but that would be too unpopular. So, the answer key may be found on the last page. If anyone has some questions about the UFO phenomena that they would like to see answered in this newsletter, please send them in.

By Thomas B. Burch



June 24, 1947 ushered in the Modern Era of UFOs when a private pilot reported seeing nine, disc shaped objects flying in formation near Mr. Rainier, Washington. This year marks the 35th anniversary of that history making UFO report. Do you know the name of the pilot whose sighting made "flying saucers" a household word? How much do you know about the people, places and events that form the basis for this continuing topic of scientific controversy? Take this test and check your knowledge. How much do you know about UFOs?

#### TRUE OR FALSE

- 1 A 1978 Gallup Poll found that 58 % of the American population thought that UFOs are "real".
- 2 It is frequently reported that animals react to the presence of UFOs before human witnesses.
- 3 In 1977 the "Washington Whispers" column of U.S. News and World Report said there would be "unsettling disclosures about UFOs by the government before the end of the year".
- 4 In Aurora, Texas on April 17, 1897, a UFO reportedly struck a windmill and exploded, killing the UFO pilot. Recent investigations have proven this case to be a hoax.
- 5 On December 5, 1945, five Navy torpedo bombers disappeared while flying over the Bermuda Triangle. The final radio transmission of this doomed flight allegedly included the warning: "Don't come after me ... The look like the are from outer space." No plausible explanation for this disappearance has ever been offered.
- 6 One state in the U.S. has never experienced any reported UFO sightings.
- 7 There are no disagreements among UFO researchers about the value of hypnotic time regression procedures in the investigation of UFO reports.

In his book entitled Flying Saucers: A Modern Myth of Things Seen in the Skies, Sigmund Freud defined man's "Collective unconscious" which he

attributed as the cause of many UFO sightings.

- 9 The term "Flying Saucer" was used by pilot Kenneth Arnold to describe nine unusual air vehicles he observed while flying near Mt. Rainier in Washington state.
- 10 French mathematician and engineer Aime Michel is known for his theory of orthoteny which maintains that UFO sightings occurring on the same day are frequently arranged along a straight line.
- 11 Walter Andrus is the founder and director of the Aerial Phenomenon Research Organization (APRO).
- 12 On the basis of data compiled since 1947, the UFO phenomenon appears to be a global phenomenon.
- 13 Law enforcement officers rarely report UFO sightings.
- 14 Dr. Michael Persinger of Laurentian University has theorized that many reports are the product of "piezo electric discharge".
- 15 Cornell University space scientist Carl Sagan, who wrote the book Communications With Extraterrestrial Intelligence objects to the government funding of UFO studies.

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#### EDITORS NOTE:

It's always encouraging when an article in one issue of the Enigma causes someone to send in another article. The following article was submitted by Joan Laurino. Joan's cover letter explains it so well that we are including the letter in total. Our deepest thanks to Joan for the stuff that keeps interest in the UFO phenomenon alive!

September 20, 1987

Dear Editor:

Your article in the June Bulletin regarding the Unidentified Friendly People (UFP) incident taking place at the St. Louis motel / restaurant, was extremely fascinating and demonstrates the importance of further research in this



particular area; thus I felt compelled to offer the enclosed report which centers on a most unusual incident involving a Mrs. Martha Throne of Sonora, California.

I personally know Mrs. Throne and find her to be of high integrity, honest and someone who believes in the truth. Her UFO experience is unforgettable.

I thought that the enclosed article would be of interest to your organization. The audio taped interview is on file in my office.

I am a MUFON member and have done some UFO artwork for the organization.

Very truly yours,  
Joan H. Laurino  
MUFON/UFO Newsclipping Service

## THE STRANGERS

By Joan H. Laurino

In order to appreciate Mrs. Martha Throne's amusing conversation with three unusual strangers, it must be known that Mrs. Throne and her husband, Ernest, experienced a UFO abduction on the night of October 30, 1977. In short, the elderly couple, (Martha was at age 69) were coming home from their granddaughter's wedding in Oakdale, California. They had left the reception early to avoid driving into the lights of oncoming traffic. Just as they reached the eight mile, four-lane divided portion of Highway 108, between Oakdale and Sonora, they were intercepted by an egg-shaped flying craft which engulfed their car in a blue mist. The time was 7:30 p.m. The car lights went out, the engine stopped and the car jerked violently backwards and seemed to go "somewhere." The next thing Martha remembers is lying on a gurney in strange surroundings with several alien beings who examined her about the head. Ernest was left in the car apparently under suspended animation.

MUFON's investigation of the case turned positive. The two wrist watches worn by the couple were examined by NASA and found to be heavily magnetized. Each watch had been fused together at 7:30 and are irreparable. The car was a mess and also never ran properly even after repeated overhauls.

It was on October 11 and 12, 1986, that Martha Throne and I attended the Sonora MUFON Symposium held at the Sonora Fairgrounds. The Unidentified Friendly People incident occurred at approximately 1:30 in the afternoon on October 11.

Martha was seated near the UFO exhibits in back of the auditorium when she noticed a tall, extremely slender middle-aged woman dressed in white, alone and browsing around the exhibits. The woman appeared very mysterious. Martha watched her carefully then decided to go outside.

Once outside, she met some people and started a pleasant conversation until it was interrupted by a couple who approached from the back of the building. An immediate conversation ensued and one that Martha will never forget!

The gentleman was of medium height, white American and fairly handsome. He had brown hair and his blue eyes were complemented by his light blue shirt. He wore dark blue pants, black shoes and carried a camera which he used excessively as we will see. In general, he was well groomed and beautifully mannered. However, his "wife" was a riot!

The husband introduced his wife who had a strange sounding name and asked permission if he could photograph the two ladies, to which Martha agreed. The little lady caught Martha's eye as she was most striking and unforgettable. She stood about 4'10" and was overly dressed for the hot day; wearing heavy linen-type garments consisting of a light brown blouse, dark brown skirt, heavy coat, brown jogging shoes and a full knapsack. Completing her attire, was a brown knitted cap with a stripped brown and white tassel which adorned her combed-back hair. The cap was slanted off to one side and made her look adorable. She wasn't beautiful in a Vogue manner, but fascinating. You would look at her several times! Her "pixy-like" face had normal skin tone, but her eyes were literally round with very large pupils. Nevertheless, the lady's eye-catching appearance was not as unusual as when the conversation continued.

Unable to speak English, the wife conversed in an unknown language; a strange language of very short, clipped words rapidly spoken. Yet, the most profound mystery lies in the realization that the wife fully understood everything



Martha Throne said or asked, but responded IN HER LANGUAGE. The husband translated her comments; however, the only direct response in English that the wife could say was either, "Oooooooh, yes" or "Oooooooh, no" and accompanied with hand gestures for emphasis.

The twosome were extremely polite and affectionate nearly to embarrassment. The husband commented, "We are from Australia - we just got here - we followed the signs." Just arriving from Australia sounded a little peculiar to Martha, but she inquired, "Oh, you came by car then?" They avoided the question and Martha added, "Oh, you came by plane?" The man answered flatly, "No, we just followed the signs," which didn't make any sense out of this conversation. However, Martha calmly went along with this, figuring this reaction could be typical of Australians. Meanwhile, the couple maintained an extreme friendliness and loving attitude toward Mrs. Throne so she did not pursue the issue.

At this point, they carefully emphasized how honored they were to meet Martha and what a wonderful person she is. They also seemed to know a lot about her. Martha was stymied. She did not know this couple from a bag of beans, nor their interest in her. Again, the gentleman changed the subject and suggested more photographs be taken. "Oooooooh, yes", agreed the lady and flew her arms in the air. This time when Martha and the wife had their arms around each other, Martha felt an unusually thin body through all those heavy clothes, but she also experienced a strange peaceful feeling -- the type of peace and goodwill very reminiscent of her 1977 UFO abductors! Martha loved the tiny lady and received a strong impression that she could be of alien origin; however, her common sense dismissed such hypothesis because another alien encounter couldn't repeat itself.

That did it! Mrs. Throne was determined to pin down their true whereabouts come hell or high water. It did not work. The couple slyly wiggled out of Martha's questions or reiterated the overworked, "We just arrived from Australia. We followed the signs", which by now sounded like a broken record, but a good means to avoid information. Martha now pursued in another direction. "Well, how do you know so much about me?" Again, no direct answer was given, but they seemed to know

Martha's underlying motives. The conversation became a comedy skit. She maintained composure and changed the subject again and asked pointedly, "Do you have UFO activity in Australia?" The wife got excited, jabbered and flew her hands up in the air and replied "Oooooooh, yes!" The man agreed and asked Martha if she believed in the ships. "You bet I do." A smile crossed their faces.

The final intrigue presented itself when the gentleman commented on Mrs. Throne's abduction. "We only pick people of high intelligence and psychic ability even if they have not been recognized in the world." He added, "We are so proud to meet you and glad to meet you, you'll never know." Martha was stunned by these words, but remained calm. She looked directly at both of them and inquired, "Why is it that some abductees get hurt and some do not?" The wife was quiet, the husband continued, "There are reasons for this." A moment of silence fell. Martha pursued no further questions.

This provoking conversation lasted for about one half hour. The couple claimed to have arrived very far from "somewhere", yet they expressed no interest in the symposium nor the exhibits (they already know everything!) Their only interest was in Mrs. Throne and nothing else.

The strangers now revealed a piece of information that Martha only knew. MUFON had scheduled a panel discussion of abductees for Sunday. The names of the abductees were not released in advance, but the strangers knew that Martha would be one of the panelist! She explained to them that all the panelists were to briefly outline their abduction encounters and to avoid detail which would result in disappointment to the paying audience. The couple listened intently, then the little wife jabbered excitedly; the man translated, "You tell your complete story! That's what the people want; that's what they come for!" Martha concurred wholeheartedly, but would rather follow MUFON rules. "Oooooooh, no," replied the wife and threw up her hands. "All right," the husband continued emphatically, "you bend the rules and tell your story. It's important to tell the complete abduction story. You will be of great help to the investigators in the future."

The next day, during Sunday's panel discussion, Martha calmly and meticulously



narrated the entire abduction encounter of October 30, 1977. Her account ran about 25 minutes and she was the most favored among the reporters and the audience alike.

Now the couple seemed anxious to leave and replied, "We have to go now." It was first assumed they were heading for the auditorium, but instead were leaving the premises. Martha inquired, "Wait a minute, aren't you going inside?" "Oh, no," the man answered, "We have to go now. We just came to meet with you." More hugs and kisses were exchanged, but for the second time, Martha sensed a feeling of peace, goodwill of someone she could trust.

Embarrassing as the affectionate demonstrations were, Martha adored the unknown lady and her strange language, but the payoff was lurking around the corner. When the couple began walking away, the tall skinny woman dressed in white re-appeared and sneaked behind. Keeping her head down, she turned toward Martha and said slyly, "There were three aliens among us today. Two women and a man. All right? There they were!" Wait a moment," Martha responded. "Are you psychic?" The woman repeated the identical excuse, "I've got to go now." Martha followed her in an attempt to continue the conversation and again the woman repeated, "We've got to go now." This time the word "we've" was used. Although she was directly behind the couple, no one spoke. The husband and wife did turn around to smile and wave to Martha, saying, "We are happy to have met you! We will help you all we can!" Martha's troublesome knee hampered her ability to follow the strangers who scooted behind the building and out of sight.

Upon entering the auditorium, a daze engulfed the little white haired lady. The amusing conversation whirled and echoed throughout her mind. She became oblivious to anyone near her, but the symposium continued as usual with little awareness of the hair-raising visitors. A feeling of isolation tugged gently at her heart; for amidst the scores of people, ufologists and investigators discussing the UFO subject and related matters there was no one who would attempt to fathom an alien encounter taking place right under their noses. Take it or leave it, something happened, and Martha stood alone to confront its reality.

During this inopportune moment, a

newspaper reporter rushed up to Mrs. Throne with inquiries into the 1977 abduction. The difficulty concentrating on the questions was immense and seemed cruel for her to have to relive a nine year old experience at this time. Nevertheless, Martha struggled through the interview and wished it would end quickly.

That evening, during dinner, Mrs. Throne confided to me of meeting the bizarre and "strange son-of-a-guns" from Australia. The intimate details of the conversation were unmentioned, thus I thought nothing of it.

Several weeks passed and Martha kept the UFP experience to herself in order to methodically analyze and ferret out the mysteries encompassing this episode. It was crucial not to jump to conclusions which would embarrass herself. She covered every avenue of explanation, asked herself endless questions, but made sure she came up with honest answers. Her clear objective analysis indicated that the strangers knew too much about her to be hoaxers. She seemed "set up" for this visit. She wasn't outside very long when the "Australians" zipped from behind the building, approached her directly, since they KNEW who she was. The other people to whom Martha was speaking were ignored. The tall woman dressed in white must have had "radar ears," since she approached Martha from inside of the auditorium; made the closing statements then joined the twosome for their departure.

The uniqueness of the tiny "pixy-faced" lady must also be taken into consideration. She was so overwhelmingly magnetic, friendly and loving that you just wanted to love her in return (They both generated extreme kindness and love towards Martha). Although she couldn't speak English, she knew everything Martha was saying. In turn, her husband (neat, nice looking all-American type) understood her well and acted as an interpreter. The language was unforgettable. Something straight out of the unknown. But most of all the real mystery lies in Martha's feelings towards the lady; a strange peacefulness and one-ness as if she had known her all of her life. Mrs. Throne's personal conclusions explicitly sums it up:

"I had gone through a dangerous encounter before. This was a mild one and a very interesting one and I knew it for



what it was. I also knew who they were and what they were. I am certain of that in my own mind. I can't prove it of course. At least they didn't damage my car and my watch," she adds with a chuckle.

Answers To Quiz

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| 1) True  | 6) False | 11) False |
| 2) True  | 7) False | 12) True  |
| 3) True  | 8) False | 13) False |
| 4) True  | 9) False | 14) True  |
| 5) False | 10) True | 15) True  |

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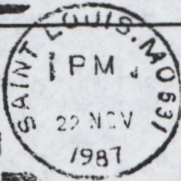
- Wed. Dec. 2 - Parapsychology Committee Meeting at the Schroeder home, 4991 Miami St., St. Louis, MO (7:30 p.m.)
- Sun. Dec. 13 - UFO Study Group Meeting at the Farm and Home Savings and Loan at Lockwood and Gore, Webster Grove, MO. (2:00 p.m.)
- Tues. Dec. 15 - St. Charles UFO Committee at the Bonanza Sirloin Pit, 1215 South Duchesne St. Charles, MO (7:30 p.m.)

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